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"McMurray Chin," Frosh Class Play to Be Given Soon

Work on the Three-act Comedy
Scheduled for March 8 and 9
Is Started by Freshmen

Rehearsals began this week on a comedy drama in three acts, "The McMurray Chin" by Edna Higgins Strachan, which will be presented by the Freshman class of Pacific college on the evenings of March 8 and 9.

Philip Lansdale, the young principal stockholder of the McMurray Iron Works, will be played by Louis Coffin, and Ellen McMurray Lansdale, Philip's young wife, who has a sincere love for her husband and for her baby, will be portrayed by Dorothy Martin.

The role of Philip's severe, opinionated, but kind-hearted spinster aunt, Deborah Lansdale, will be taken by Marguerite Heacock. Miss Griswold, the trained nurse, who is an unemotional New Englander and is the embodiment of sanitation and efficiency, will be played by Louise Arney. Florence Kenner is cast as Libby, the Lansdale servant.

Comedy will be supplied by Isabel Frost, portraying the part of Nettie Quick, the town gossip. Bruce Rogers is cast in the role of Doctor Topping-Sill, a young practitioner in McMurraysville, who is in direct contrast to the truly lovable and kind old family physician, Dr. Scott, played by Milton Sanderman.

Marjorie Miller will play the part of the breezy, frank, self-assertive Beatrice Bardin, a close friend of Ellen's, and Chauncey Gettmann will play opposite her in the role of Bob Scott, son of the Doctor. Dorothy Choate will be seen in the personage of Aunt Abbie Green, Dr. Scott's negro nurse.

The story takes place in the living room of the McMurray home in McMurraysville, a small western town. The theme of the play is a struggle between Ellen and her family, principally Philip's Aunt Deborah, who tries to deprive Ellen of the joys of caring for her baby. Driven to despair, Ellen leaves home with her friend, Beatrice, becomes Miss McMurraysville, and then is later brought home, through the sickness of her baby.

Miss Annice Carter, dramatics instructor here, is coaching the play.

GOLD P CLUB PLANS TO INITIATE NEW MEMBERS

The Gold P Club held a business meeting Thursday evening at the home of Don Larimer to discuss plans of future initiation of new members.

A committee reported ideas of initiation which is set for March 1. New members will be officially received March 29.

The question of scholastic standing of new members was seriously considered. In the future certain qualifications of scholastic and moral standards will be qualifications.

"McMURRAY CHIN"—March 8, 9

TREFIAN ELECTS OFFICERS

Election of officers was the program for the February 6 meeting of the Trefian Literary society. The officers elected for the new semester are:

President—Helen Wehrley.
Vice-president—Isabella Wilson.
Secretary—Eileen Kenworthy
Treasurer—Dora Bales
Marshal—Doris Darnielle
Critic—Ruth Jacobs
Social committee chairman—Jean Gardner

Crescent reporter—Isabel Frost
Faculty advisor—Miss Carter

Rev. Merrill Coffin Now Leading Revival Meetings at Newberg Friends Church

Rev. Merrill Coffin, pastor of the First Friends church in Portland, has been conducting a series of evangelistic services at the Newberg Friends church for the past week. They will continue until February 24. Rev. Coffin also spoke in chapel three times during the week, on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Wednesday he spoke to Y. M. C. A.

The meetings have thus far been inspirational and there has been a good attendance at each service. The Pacific college basketball squad was present on Wednesday evening, Feb. 13, and the members of the Gold P. club attended in a body on Thursday evening, Feb. 14. Many other Pacific college students have been faithful in attendance each night. The college has also been represented with special numbers in song rendered by some of the students here.

Student prayer meeting was led by Lawrence McCracken on Tuesday evening, Feb. 5.

Jean Gardner read the scripture at the prayer meeting on February 12. This meeting was well attended, and after the closing prayer, those present went to the Friends church for the evening revival service.

MISS CARTER RESIGNS; PROF. LEWIS TO RETURN

Coach Hal Chapman to Continue Work
at Pacific College Next Year

Miss Annice Carter, who has been instructor of Dramatics, Public Speaking, Home Economics, and Physical Education at Pacific for the last three years, and who has also acted as matron of the girls' dormitory, has resigned her position, her resignation to take effect at the close of this college year. It was with expressions of appreciation of her work done here at the college that the Board accepted her resignation.

R. W. Lewis, who was granted a year's leave of absence from his duties as teacher in Pacific college, will again take up his work here in the fall term, as head of the English department. During this college year, Miss Emma Kendall is filling this position.

Coach Hal Chapman has also been engaged for next year's work here in the college. So far there has been no other change in the faculty for next year.

FRIENDS SERVICE WORK SHOWN

During chapel February 7 Howard Richards showed moving pictures of the activities and conditions of the miners in the soft coal region and in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, taken at the American Friends Service Committee camp. These have also been shown at Corvallis by Howard Richards and Carl Sandoz.

NEW CHAPEL SEATS ASSIGNED; IN DIFFERENT ARRANGEMENT

So the chapel seats have been assigned. Where's yours? In front—how come? Well, you would choose a name that begins with "a". Take mine for instance—Ronald. I'm 'way in the back where I can sleep any time I choose. What! I'm in the front row? You're kidding! Honest? You say the juniors are seated the opposite way from the rest, so the "R's" are in the front row? Where's that notice? Yes, section A, row 4. Can you beat that! Who's idea was that anyway? Trying to fix us? No more sleep in chapel for me!

Yes, I saw it. I think it's crazy. They put ME in the front row! What! The two Mays don't sit together? How come? They put one on one end and one on the other end of two separate rows? Well, they must have had a purpose, though of course it's too bad. Maybe we'll have some quiet for a half-hour a day now.

Look here, two Margarets and two Marjories in a row. That's a laugh. Why, it's the same in two sections! Oh, well, look at the Louis's and Louise's. I'm glad my name is individual. One in a hundred and twenty, that's me.

You know, some people have always sat near each other in school because they have had the same initial letter in their last name, but all that's changed. No longer will Frost and Fitzpatrick, or Hoskins and Houser be together. Oh, well, it's a good idea for some people, but not if you get in the front row.

It's going to be hard for the poor individuals who sat on the aisles and bet

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P. C. STUDENT BODY OFFICERS NOMINATED FOR COMING YEAR

Nominations for the student body elections March 4 were posted Friday by the nominating committee, consisting of two seniors, two juniors, two sophomores, and one freshman.

Nominations for offices were as follows: president, Virgil Hiatt and Clayton Hicks; vice president, Marjorie Seeley and Jean Gardner; secretary, Ruthanna McCracken and Mary Colver; treasurer, Louis Coffin and Robert Wehrley; Crescent editor, Richard Wilcox and John Dimond.

Retiring officers are: president, Elwood Egelston; vice president, Garnet Guild; secretary, Helen Lou Povenmire; treasurer, Clayton Hicks; Crescent editor, Virgil Hiatt.

P. C. WINS LEAGUE TITLE

The story of Pacific's win over Concordia college, thus assuring the Quakers of the league championship, will be found on the last page.

To Have Yearbook for First Time This Year, S. B. Decides

Delmer Putnam Elected Editor,
Allan Hadley Manager of
1935 P. C. Annual

For the first time in the history of the school, Pacific college will have an annual this year. This was definitely decided at a special student body meeting Tuesday, February 12, after an investigating committee had reported favorably to such a plan. Delmer Putnam was elected editor for this year's book, and Allan Hadley manager, at a meeting Friday, Feb. 15.

The publishing of an annual this year is an entirely new phase of student activity. Various plans for a yearbook have been presented to the student body in times past, but for one reason or another no action has followed. This year it was the freshmen started the movement. That class, feeling that such a publication would be of value to the college and a pleasure to its members, voted a cash gift to the student body to be used in the production of an annual. Three members of the class, Wilbur Newby, Bruce Rogers and Louise Arney, were appointed as a committee to meet with Miss Emma Kendall, faculty advisor for The Crescent, to estimate the cost of publication and sources of income. After an interview with Gerald Wood, faculty advisor of the local high school's yearbook, The Chehalem, on the financial questions involved, the committee met. After careful consideration it was voted to present the matter to the student body.

On February 8, after being presented to and discussed by the students, the

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KANYON HALL SCENE OF NEW STUDENT RECEPTION

The reception in honor of the new students held at Canyon Hall, February 8, proved to be a dignified affair.

The dark suits of the boys made a suitable background for the varicolored formals of the girls as the large group of students exchanged polite repartee.

The group was welcomed by a receiving line composed of Elizabeth Aebischer and Eugene Coffin, presidents of the Christian Associations of the college, Miss Carter and Mr. Gulley, advisors for the organizations, and Mrs. L. T. Pennington. The program, consisting of short talks by Elizabeth Aebischer and Eugene Coffin, a solo by Jean Gardner, a recitation by Ronald Sherk, a clarinet duet by Angus Henrikson and Terrance Gulley, a piano solo by Margaret Coulson, two negro spirituals by Eugene Coffin, a violin duet by Charles Henrikson and Eugene Coffin, and two selections by the newly organized orchestra, directed by Ray Hansberry, followed in well spaced intervals.

Afterwards, punch and wafers were served. The affair ended with the singing of the college song.

Helen Lou Povenmire was in charge of the event.

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THE YEARBOOK

For the first time in the history of the school we are to have an annual. This is a very worthy project and a progressive movement.

As it is relatively late to start work on such a project it will require the cooperation of every member of the student body in working with the staff. The taking of pictures and sale of tickets will especially need everyone's hearty cooperation if things run as smoothly as the editor desires.

Every student should feel that he has a responsibility towards this first P. C. yearbook. He should not only purchase a book but should either sell one to alumni, or assist the manager in obtaining ads. If every student does his part, the first P. C. yearbook will be a huge success.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Nine straight wins! We're proud of our basketball team and congratulate them on their best showing in years. Keep it up the rest of this year, next year, and in future years!

World News

By Howard Richards

The "World's Biggest Appropriation Bill," a work-relief plan to care for the 20,000,000 now being supported in whole or in part, by public funds, is before Congress.

An analysis of the Literary Digest's college poll shows the undergraduates of the United States almost equally divided for or against entry into the League of Nations.

Russo-American trade hopes fade as collapse of Washington debt and claims negotiations result in abolition of the United States consulate general at Moscow.

Wall Street conservatives oppose the banking bill because they see danger in political control of bank resources, and also in removal of bars to inflation, but have little hope of preventing centralization.

Closing of the last diversion tunnel gate at Boulder Dam starts the accumulation of the world's largest artificial lake, which will require three to four years to fill.

To learn what action Germany would take in replying to the Anglo-French proposals of February 3, that there should be a general settlement in Europe among Germany and the other Powers, to increase the prospects of peace in Europe, were the concern of Britain and France last week.

Thousands of young men staged a demonstration against the government near Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris last week on the first anniversary of the riots following the Stavisky last year.

Two and a half million dollar dirigible, largest in the world, sinks in the Pacific 15 miles off the coast of California near San Francisco.

Isabel F.—"I certainly wish nature had blessed me with hair the color of yours."

Louis C.—"Well, I wish nature had blessed me with it, too."

WE NOTICE

That the Junior girls in the dorm had ice cream last Monday night.
That Marguerite Heacock offers to throw chocolate creams to serenaders beneath her window.

That Billy Bilyeu is late to meals.
That "Izzy" Wilson collects little red spots (measles).

That Lera received a heart of candy Tuesday.

That "Gene" Coffin enters his room at night by climbing in the window.

That "Brooksie" wiped dishes on Mrs. Bartlett's clean napkin.

That Miss Carter has recently been tested the laws of velocity for falling bodies.

That Elwood Grimes has left the boys' dorm.

That the drum at the boys' dorm sounds loud in the middle of the night.

That Aileen Reed and Charlotte Coleman were locked out.

That we had a Valentine birthday dinner Thursday—

That Miss Gould, Violet, Angus, and Ronald were guests of honor—

That Violet and Angus are now reading political bulletins in preparation for the next election.

That Heacock's alarm clock rings at supper time.

That the globe from the porch light at the girls' dorm hasn't disappeared lately.

That Charlotte Coleman makes a collection of pillows, shoes, and umbrellas.

That at the reception for New Students on February 8, Angus Henrikson stood on tiptoe looking for the new student.

That the postman has delivered five delicious candy hearts to the girls' dorm.

That Ronald Sherk has a "men at work" sign in his room—we also wonder—

That the State Police brought Rachel and Millicent home Wednesday.

That Allen Hadley prefers to eat stew with two forks.

That it is a woman's privilege to change her mind. But even a privilege can be carried too far.

That the budding young freshman author must have something to hide—wearing dark glasses.

That John Wilson Bilyeu brought her a dozen cookies, but she says Sherk was more kind (\$1.00 worth).

That the Tate-Darnielle-Newby triangle threatens to become a square.

That "Brooksie" becomes important.

This was featured in a dairy products ad. On the level, "Brooksie," what do they pay you for the testimonial?

That the carpet in the office is becoming extremely worn. Too many of us are being called upon it lately.

That Gettmann carries a club for self defense—they just won't leave him alone.

That violets were found to be favorites on Valentine's Day. We hope they found favor. Ask the Peggys.

That bids were opened for janitor for the girls' dorm, and three bids were placed: John Dimond & Co., Gettmann, and Sandoz. All offered to do the work for nothing. Bids will be accepted on basis of who will pay the most (not attention).

That Brooksie has the mumps.

That Marguerite's sister, Virginia, visited her over the weekend.

We wonder if a certain Freshman boy gets into the Frances Theater for nothing.

Has Mr. Woodward broken his leg? We don't think so. He just prefers to ride. Who wouldn't?

Scandal! Sh! Someone laughed at the reception. How awful!

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EX-ACTRESS LIVING IN NEWBERG

Perhaps one of the most interesting and varied careers anyone could wish to have is that of Mrs. Mary E. Bankson, who now resides with the J. L. Van Blaricoms in Newberg.

Mrs. Bankson (to her friends she is "Auntie" Bankson) can boast, and rightly so, of being well versed on the subject of dramatic interpretation.

Mrs. Bankson's life as an actress began when the legitimate stage production was scorned by many.

"The impression that people had at this time," she stated, "was entirely wrong—at least, as far as our company was concerned. It was a wholesome group. We attended church every Sunday regardless of the denomination in the city where the company happened to be playing."

The characters she interpreted were many. She seldom played lead or juvenile parts but interpreted characters—the most difficult task in the field of acting. "I was most successful doing elderly parts," she said.

"Auntie" Bankson has a lasting friendship with the famed May Robson, star of screen and stage. "We haven't written to each other lately," Mrs. Bankson said. "I suppose she is busy." When May Robson played "Martha By the Day" in Portland a few years past (Many students can recall having seen this particular production) she made a special effort to come to Newberg just to visit "Auntie" Bankson. That was between matinee and evening performances.

George Arliss was just beginning his career when Mrs. Bankson was in her prime as an actress. She knew him well.

Few people realize that the ex-mayor, George L. Baker, of Portland was once a theatrical manager, and it was in his stock company that Mrs. Bankson did a good share of her acting. They still confer and visit. His company was known as the "Baker Stock Company."

Added to her numerous and interesting clippings, "Auntie" Bankson has a photograph and account from one of New York's leading newspapers of her son's excellent interpretation as "D'Artagnon" in "The Three Musketeers," a role that her husband also played.

Among Mrs. Bankson's successes were the "Lights of London" and "Rip Van Winkle" in which her daughter played also.

Mrs. Bankson has toured all but two states in the Union and is now enjoying the peace and quiet of her home with the Van Blaricoms in Newberg.

BOTANY CLASS TAKES FIELD TRIP

"Oh, Miss Sutton, here's a funny-looking thing! Is it a liverwort or moss?"

"Where did you find it?"

"Oh, over by that tree."

"Yes, it's Porella. We'll be studying about that soon."

The botany class took a field trip down in the canyon last week. Crossing the campus behind the girls' dormitory, Miss Sutton led the large group down the beautiful green slope. Ferns, trees, grayish-green lichens, deep green mosses, and liverwort greeted their eyes. Along the crooked path individuals became acquainted with nature in its most beautiful form.

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WHAT'S IN A NAME?

The Ma-son Choate over the town of Newby. Jack Frost was hurrying out of the country on a swift Schaad Campbell. A Martin was singing in a bush and a Heacock crowed from a tree near the Ger-in(n).

John-son of Richards Jones, after eating a hurried breakfast of Otis, Hansberry's Caster oil felt like Shirking his work so went down across the Colver into the Gully. He crossed the Brooks on the Astle-ford and went over to the Nordyke. Here he wanted to fish but had forgotten his Bates. While walking around he saw some Mills so went over to them. Rogers, the Miller, was making Bales of Rice.

Then John came upon a pretty Lady weeping by the Reed. When he asked her what was the matter, she said, "To be Frank I want to Gett-a-mann." So he said, "I am just a Cole-man but have a warm Hart and although I couldn't Bilyeu a Houser give you a Diamond, we could have a cottage and I could be the Gardner. And we'll have a garden of sweet Williams."

I Hadley care for Hiatt Hicks," she coldly replied as she rose and went up the Green slope.

A MODERN HAMLET'S SOLILOQUY

With apologies to Shakespeare, one of the students of the Shakespearean class has rewritten Hamlet's soliloquy in a modern interpretation.

If suicide were quite O. K.
And I should end up with a harp,
From this distasteful, wicked world
I quickly would depart.

The horrid acts that stir me so
And used to shock all people too,
Have not been hindered by the court.
The whole thing makes me blue.

Once mother loved my father so,
She fell upon his neck
And swore that should they have to part
Her heart would be a wreck.

Alas! one day poor papa died;
Her sorrow then seemed true,
But ere her handkerchief had dried
The king we had was new.

Not two short months had glided by
Ere this whole thing took place;
But I must soothe my aching heart,
Words will not help the case.

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